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**EASLEY APPOINTS COLLIER AS SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE FOR
ALEXANDER, DAVIDSON, DAVIE AND IREDELL COUNTIES**

RALEIGH - Gov. Mike Easley today appointed Christopher M. Collier to the Superior Court judgeship for the 22nd judicial district, representing Alexander, Davidson, Davie, and Iredell counties. Collier, an experienced state prosecutor, will fill the vacancy created by the retirement of Judge Preston Cornelius.

"Chris Collier brings both civil law and prosecutorial experience to the bench and an abiding commitment to hard work and fair play," said Easley. "He knows well the courts of the 22nd district and, having been born and raised there, also its communities and its citizens. From Taylorsville to Mocksville, Statesville to Lexington, I am confident Chris Collier will continue to make the 22nd district proud and serve it well as a Superior Court judge."

For the last eight years, Collier has served as an assistant district attorney in the 22nd district. From 1989 to 1993, he worked as an attorney with the law firm of Pope, McMillan, Gourley, Kutteh & Parker practicing in both civil and criminal courts. Collier is a director of the Counseling Center of Iredell, Inc., a non-profit corporation offering professional mental health, substance abuse and family counseling to the community. He is a graduate of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and earned his law degree from Wake Forest University School of Law.

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